

15-606 PENA-RODRIGUEZ V. COLORADO

DECISION BELOW: 350 P.3d 287

LOWER COURT CASE NUMBER: 13SC9

QUESTION PRESENTED:

Most states and the federal government have a rule of evidence generally prohibiting the introduction of juror testimony regarding statements made during deliberations when offered to challenge the jury's verdict. Known colloquially as "no impeachment" rules, they are typically codified as Rule 606(b); in some states, they are a matter of common law.

The question presented is whether a no-impeachment rule constitutionally may bar evidence of racial bias offered to prove a violation of the Sixth Amendment right to an impartial jury.

CERT. GRANTED 4/4/2016